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Probation Forum – Issues Update

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PROBATION FORUM FOLLOW-UP: July 15, 2015

Representatives from twenty-one counties, CWDA, CDSS, RCFFP and the CWS-NS participated in the discussion.

CWS Customer Support Update: Located on the CWS/CMS Home Page, under Popular Links select 'Sign up for Text Alerts here' link. Text alerts regarding major outages, Outlook issues, etc. will be sent to subscribers. There is no service fee charged per month but message and data rates may apply. Subscribers are asked to check with their carrier.

SPOCS are being asked to keep contact lists updated and to contact their SSC or Harold if they have any questions.

Scott Livingston is the new System Support Consultant (SSC) for the twelve counties in the Mountain Valley Region. The updated SSC Regional Assignment Map will be attached to these minutes.

Equifax's \$500 fee: There will be no fee for 2015. Counties who contracted with Equifax prior to 2015 will not be reimbursed for fees paid. Those Counties who entered into contracts since January 2015 are eligible to receive reimbursement. To contact Equifax, use one of the following links: experianfosteryouth@experian.com; victoria.crain@experian.com; kerry.king@experian.com

Questions can be directed to Rick Pimentel at: Rick.Pimentel@DSS.ca.gov

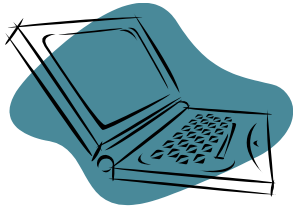
Training Update / Data Quality Discussion: Appropriate contact notes and detailed narrative must be in CWS/CMS. ILP Delivered Service – Must be documented. Worker will be prompted to complete before case can be closed. Case Plan & TILP – Must be documented once every six months. The dates completed and when the CP & TILP was signed by youth must be entered into CWS/CMS. The 90 Day Transition Plan is also required and information pertaining to this can be found in the Extended Foster Care Quick Guide.

To discuss training needs and/or schedule CWS/CMS training please contact Debbie Rodriguez at dkrodriguez@ucdavis.edu or call her at 530-757-8582.

Program Impact Advisory Committee (PIAC) Update / R7.5: R7.5 focuses on Adoption and the Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS), which collects information on: 1) All children in foster care for whom State child welfare agencies have responsibility for placement, care, or supervision and 2) All children who are adopted with public child welfare agency involvement.

AFCARS is designed to collect uniform, reliable information on children who are under the responsibility of Title IV-B/IV-E agency for placement, care, or supervision.

AFCARS was established to provide data that would assist in policy development and program management. Data can be used by policymakers at the Federal, Tribal, and State levels to assess the reasons why children are in foster care and to develop strategies to prevent their unnecessary placement into foster care. For more information on PIAC and R 7.5, contact Vaughan Whalen at Vaughan.Whalen@osi.ca.gov.



CWS/CMS New System Update: Revising IAPDU. Received SAWS Consortium approval. Survey sent to county CW and Probation SPOCS for training resources.

Harold brought up the need for a probation consultant. There has been some interest shown in the position, but so far no Probation consultants are attached to the project on a full-time basis. For those interested in learning more about this position contact: robyn.sasaki@osi.ca.gov or zach.nolan@osi.ca.gov.

NYTD Update and reminders: The survey for 21 year olds will continue through 9-30-15. Mary Allard sent NYTD and Best Practices information to counties. These documents are attached along with these minutes. Using social media to find unable to locate youth – Face Book is not being used any longer as it has lost its popularity with youth. Instead other types of social media are being used (Instagram, Twitter, etc). Mary also suggested using the Correctional Institutional locator. The list of 19 year olds will be sent out in July. For additional information or questions, please send an email to Mary.Allard@dss.ca.gov or phone at 916-654-0960.

Legislative Update: SB 794 amends state law to address compliance with the federal Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act (Public Law 113-183 Send questions to CPOC: cpoc@cpoc.org

Monthly Caseworker Visits: According to Federal measures county caseworker/probation visits should be at 95%. California is currently at 92.5%. Although this doesn't appear to be a big difference, CA needs to complete and enter 8,792 more visits to be in compliance with this measure. Supervisors are strongly encouraged to use SafeMeasures to review individual caseloads for compliance, and follow-up to ensure any and all face-to-face contacts are entered.

The following county probation departments met the 95% federal measure: Amador, Butte, Colusa, Mariposa, Merced, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Siskiyou, and Stanislaus. Great job!

NEXT PROBATION FORUM

September 16, 2015

Time: 2:00-3:30

Call in information: TBD

FUTURE AGENDA SUGGESTIONS: If there are concerns or issues you would like added to next meeting's agenda, please submit them to Harold Rowe @ harold.rowe@osi.ca.gov.